

**REMARKS**

Applicants have amended the claims in order to reduce the initial filing fee by deleting the multiple dependent claims and by deleting the improper use claims 9, 10 and 11 from the application. The improper use claims have been replaced with method of treatment claims 15 - 18. Applicants retain the right to reintroduce any subject matter canceled by the present Amendment at any time during the prosecution of this application or any further application claiming benefit of this application.

Also, an Abstract of the Disclosure has been added to the application.

Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Search Report which issued on International Application No. PCT/GB00/02076, of which the present application is the U.S. national phase. All of the publications cited in the International Search Report are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. It is Applicants' understanding that, under the procedures of the PCT, copies of the cited publications will have been supplied to the U.S. Patent Office by the International Bureau. However, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney if additional copies are necessary or would facilitate examination of the present application.

Otherwise, the Examiner is respectfully requested to return an initialed and dated copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 to confirm that all publications listed thereon have been considered and made officially of record in the file of this application.

Applicants understand that, under the procedures of the PCT, a copy of the priority document (9912443.0, filed May 27, 1999) will have been supplied to the U.S. Patent Office pursuant to Rule 17 of the PCT Regulations. It is therefore respectfully requested that the first Official Action in the present application contain an indication that the appropriate priority document is in the file of this application.

In view of the above amendments, an early action on the application is now in order and is most respectfully requested.

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace claims 3-6 and 8 with the following amended claims.

3(Amended). A formulation according to claim 1 [or 2] comprising by volume, Eucalyptus oil, 4-6% Cajeput oil 0.5-2.5%, Lemongrass oil 1-3%, Clove bud oil 1.5%-3.5%, peppermint oil 0.5-2.5, Piperonyl 1.5-3.5%, Piperonyl Butoxide 0.3-0.9%, Surfactant 0.05-0.15%, 0.5-1.5% lanolin and Water 80-90%.

4(Amended). A formulation according to [any preceding claim] claim 1 comprising in approximate amounts by volume, Eucalyptus oil 5.3%, Cajeput oil 1.3, Lemongrass oil 2.0%, Clove bud oil 2.5%, Peppermint oil 1.3%, Piperonyl 2.7%, Piperonyl Butoxide 0.6%, Surfactant (Surfacare T20) 0.1%, lanolin 1% and Water 83.20%.

5(Amended). A formulation according to [any of claims 1 to 4] claim 1 which is further diluted to 1 part formulation to 200 parts water.

6(Amended). A formulation according to [any of claims 1 to 5] claim 1 for use in the treatment of an ectoparasite in an animal.

8(Amended). A formulation according to claim 6 [or 7] wherein said ectoparasite is blowfly or its larvae.